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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/635,679; Filed: August 10, 2000  
For: **Insulinotropic Hormone and Uses Thereof (as amended)**  
Inventors: Joel F. HABENER  
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Respectfully submitted,

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